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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR PATENT

OF: Masaaki HARASAWA et al.

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FOR: Electric Connector for

Electrically Connecting a Wire of One Article to a Contact of Another Article

(as amended)

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20231

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Due: January 2, 2003 (with

this Two Month Term

Extension)

January 2, 2003

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

Dear Sir:

- 1) This is a petition for an extension of two (2) months to be added to the original term of three months for responding to the Office Action mailed on: August 2, 2002.
- 2) Applicant is a Large Entity. Fee Payment: \$410 (Large Entity). Our Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) is enclosed to cover the extension fee. Any fee deficiency or additional fee may be charged to Deposit Account 50-0507.
- 3) A Response to the Office Action is being filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant,

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